

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINS, PINT, CSCE, BU  
SUBJECT: "CHARTER 77" ECHOES IN BULGARIA

REF: SOFIA 328

1. RFE MANAGEMENT NOTES THAT IN RECENT DAYS AT LEAST FOUR RATHER VAGUE PRESS REPORTS DEALING WITH ALLEGED ECHOES OF "CHARTER 77" IN BULGARIA HAVE EMANATED FROM VIENNA. THESE REPORTS, WHICH INCLUDE FEBRUARY 21 AFP ITEM AND TWO "DIE PRESSE" STORIES, INDICATE THAT A NUMBER OF BULGARIAN INTELLECTUALS (ONE ITEM SAYS 36, ANOTHER 40) WHO SYMPATHIZE WITH AIMS OF "CHARTER 77," HAVE BEEN QUESTIONED BY POLICE. ONE "DIE PRESSE" ITEM CLAIMS THAT 14 OF THESE INTELLECTUALS HAVE BEEN ARRESTED.

2. IN RECENT INTERVIEW WITH RFE CORRESPONDENT IN PARIS, ROMANIAN EMIGRE EUGENE IONESCU SAID HE HAD RECEIVED LETTER FROM A BULGARIAN INTELLECTUAL EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR "CHARTER 77" IDEALS.

3. RFE IS NOT RPT NOT BROADCASTING ANY OF THE REPORTS MENTIONED IN PARA ONE. RFE WILL BROADCAST 6 TO 8 LINE ITEM FEBRUARY 23 NOTING THE EXISTENCE OF THESE REPORTS AND INDICATING THAT RFE  
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DOES NOT RPT NOT ASSOCIATE ITSELF WITH ALL THE FACTS THEREIN. THIS ITEM WILL CONTAIN REFERENCE TO IONESCU'S STATEMENT ABOUT LETTER FROM BULGARIAN INTELLECTUAL.  
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